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Lapine, Alabama man arrested by Elba Police in sexual abuse of a child case

An investigation by Elba Police into an alleged sexual assault/rape last week led to the arrest Thursday, July 21, of a Lapine, Ala. man.

Elba Police Chief Troy Staley confirmed the incident was reported to his office a couple days prior to the arrest, and



an investigation began immediately. This led to the arrest of Joshua Givens, age 36, of Lapine.

Givens was charged with sexual abuse of a child under age 12. He was booked into the Coffee County Jail at 4:45 p.m. last Thursday.

Givens remained in the county jail on a \$50,000 bond as of press time this week. No further details were available.

Elba City Council implements heavy vehicle truck route ordinance for downtown area

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba City Council met Monday evening, July 25, and city clerk Sally Bane announced the city had received quit claim deeds for roads the state was turning over to the city following the completion of the U.S. Highway 84 project through Elba.

Bane said the deeds would be recorded with the courthouse this week changing ownership from the state to the city. In conjunction, she said a heavy vehicle truck route ordinance would be implemented.

Upon questions from council members asking if the city had 'signed off' to accept the roads in their current conditions, Bane said city officials had learned through this process that the

state can turn them over to the city whether the city accepts the conditions or not with no recourse.

Further, council person Jane Brunson asked about damages caused to the Pea River bridge when Davis Street and the bridge were repaved, and Bane said the state contends their crews did not cause those damages. Brunson said she disagreed but also accepted there wasn't anything the city could really do at this point to force the state to fix the damages.

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The Coffee County Commission announced Monday, July 25, during its bimonthly meeting that its office would now be known as the "Senator Jimmy Holley Administrative Building" at the county complex in New Brockton, Ala. Senator Holley and many of his family members were present Monday morning for the special announcement. Those pictured above include (from left) Commissioners Al Britt, Tom Grimsley, and Dean Smith; Alabama Senator Jimmy Holley, and Commissioners Kim Ellis, Jim Thompson, and Josh Carnley. Commissioner Jimmy Jones was unable to attend the meeting.

Coffee County building named after Senator Jimmy Holley

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Commission bestowed a special honor upon Alabama Senator and Coffee County

native Jimmy Holley during the Monday, July 25, meeting in New Brockton.

In front of a large gathering, commission chairman Dean Smith read aloud a resolution noting that the Coffee County Commission building would now be designated at the Senator Jimmy Holley Administrative Building.

"The commission thanks Senator Holley for all he has done for Coffee County over more than four decades of public service," Smith said. "This resolution recognizes him for his outstanding service to Coffee County."

Holley was first elected to serve in the Alabama House of Representative in 1974, and he would serve five terms in that position before being elected to the Alabama Senate. He first was elected to his current position as Alabama Senator in 1998 and has been elected for an additional five terms to the Senate.

"During Senator Holley's 44 years of service, his record is unparalleled," Smith added.

Senator Holley

Redesign of reserved parking at Elba's Tiger Stadium brings changes to sales

by Linda Hodge, Editor

and Community Leaders of America program were recognized for their representation of the school system at a national competition in June.

Superintendent Chris Moseley introduced the students saying they had taken a trip to San Diego, Calif. in June to compete nationally in a FCCLA event. He said they were among some 7,000 students competing at the national event.

The youngest of the group, Keelie Moseley, competed as an 8th grade

student in Level I for Repurpose and Redesign. She brought home a second-place national finish.

Adalyn O'Neal and Destinee Tidwell competed as a duo in Repurpose and Redesign for Level II, and they placed fourth nationally.

Zalie McKelvy competed in Job Interview for Level II, and she also brought home a fourth-place national finish.

"We are very proud of these young ladies, and everything they've done," Moseley said.

He also recognized Christina Morgan, Career Tech coordinator for Elba City Schools.

I want to recognize

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The reserved parking lot at Tiger Stadium will undergo a re-design and paving along with additional paving projects currently underway for Elba City Schools. This re-design of the parking lot has lessened

the number of spots available in the reserved parking section at the stadium.

Reserved tickets and parking for the 2022 football season at Elba High School went on sale this week, and there are some important changes for fans to know.

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"Currently we are going to have 57 parking spots, not including the six handicap parking places," Superintendent Chris Moseley said. "However, when the stripers get here, we could end up with a few more, but we are waiting to see how all that works out."

The current 57 reserved spots reduced the number available from past years by 20-something spots, Moseley said. He noted, though, the parking lot would be better designed and work better with the new design.

"In the past, administrators, coaches, and board members were getting one parking spot in the reserved section," Moseley said. "They no longer will be receiving a free parking spot, including myself. All these folks will have to pay for a parking spot, just like everyone else, if they desire to park in the reserved parking section. This basically off-sets the reduction in available parking spots with the new design."

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Area Happenings

THE EVERGREEN CEMETERY BOARD will meet Thursday, Aug. 4, at 6 p.m., at Elba City Hall, 200 Buford Street. This meeting is open to the public.

THE MA-CHIS LOWER CREEK INDIAN TRIBE OF ALABAMA WILL MEET Saturday, Aug. 6, 2022, at 1 p.m. The meeting will be at 2950 County Road 377, Elba, Ala. The discussion will include: Low-Income Home Energy and Community Service Block Grant and fiscal year plan for 2023. Plans are available to be viewed in person by appointment or email request. Grants planning to apply for health care. Heirship property attorney will address this and federal recognition. Anyone with questions or concerns is asked to feel free to contact Chief James Wright of the Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama. Telephone 334-897-3207, Cell phone 334-449-0607, or email machis@centurytel.net

AHSAA honors state championship coaches at banquet

The 26th annual Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA) Championship Coaches banquet sponsored by the AHSADCA closed out the 2022 AHSAA Summer Conference Friday night, July 22, at the Montgomery Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center.

95 member-school head coaches who led their teams to 114 AHSAA state titles during the 2021-22 school year – the 100th year of the Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA) as an organization – were recognized during the banquet.

Elba High School's golf coach, Mark Wicker, was among the evening's recipients. Wicker was recognized at the state champion coach for Class 1A/2A boys golf for the second year in a row. He was accompanied at the banquet by Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley, Elba High School principal Wynn Grimes, and former Elba High School golf coach Colby Capps. Wicker's wife, Leigh, also attended.



Elba High School golf coach Mark Wicker (center) was one of 95 high school coaches honored Friday night, July 22, at the AHSAA Championship Coaches Banquet. He led the Elba Tigers boys golf team to a Class 1A/2A state championship during the 2021-2022 school year. Pictured above with Wicker is Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley (left) and Elba High School principal Wynn Grimes (right).

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Education is the most powerful weapon we can use to change the world." — Nelson Mandela

The events on the square last Saturday featured lots of vendors and loads of citizens. The day was hot, but the rains were absent, so everyone got to enjoy the events.

Monkeypox continues to spread, in America and worldwide, and it worries the experts. There are even some who have been quoted in the national media who said it could have been stopped in its tracks from the very beginning. How that could have happened is beyond our simple thinking but there millions of sideline coaches can always run the game better than those who are making the decisions. This virus is apparently transmitted by contact with someone who is infected or touch something they have touched. There have been reports of two cases of small children being infected, so none of us are immune. We should all read the symptoms and if suspect we MIGHT be a victim, go to the doctor immediately! It is curable but best if tackled early on. Untreated, a large number of victims will die.

It is fast approaching time for schools to reopen. The roads and byways will be flooded with children, busses, etc., some so excited they forget to be careful enough. This is where the motoring public needs to step up and drive more carefully . . . that is something we can't overdo if it will prevent serious injuries or save the life of one of America's future leaders.

The war in Ukraine is still taking the lives of innocent people. Two stories this past week had our stomach wrenching. The body of a young boy hit by an explosion could only be identified by his tennis shoes with red hearts on the toes! How sad. That could have been any child in our community. Then there is the popular young woman, probably one of many, who left home to escape the war, but had to return as she had no money, no food, place to stay, nor a job. Shortly after returning to her hometown, home, job, etc., she was standing in her yard enjoying the beautiful weather when a nearby explosion killed her. Those two events are probably repeated every day in Ukraine. That is the reality of every war fought (or will be fought). As with all other wars, those who start them are back home secure in their homes, eating regular (hot) meals and sleeping in a soft bed.

If you want to believe the very 'unofficial' and 'non-professional' opinion polls from the past week, Alabama will beat Georgia in the SEC championship. Now of course diehard Alabama fans will cheer that opinion as the gospel while Georgia fans will scoff at the results of the same poll. The truth is in football it is possible (though not likely) that neither of those teams will actually be in the playoffs!

Be safe, wear your mask when appropriate, social distance, wash your hands AND get the shot(s) and/or boosters!



THE REPAVING PROJECT AT ELBA CITY SCHOOLS continues to progress with the student parking lot at Elba High School now repaved and striped. The parking lot was 'in use' again this week as extra-curricular activity practices were underway. Superintendent Chris Moseley said he has been pleased with the repaving project.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, July 19, 2022, and Monday, July 25, 2022, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, July 19 — Suspicious circumstances reported to Elba Police headquarters (4:48 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 401 E Davis St (5:17 a.m.); Disturbance reported at 1192 Pine Circle (5:50 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1282 Ann St w/ animal impound (9:36 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1732 Martin Luther King Dr (10:50 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at Hwy 84 and Claxton Ave (1:50 p.m.); Sexual assault/rape reported at 893 Old Samson Rd (3:12 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 993 Winston Ave (6:19 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Hwy 84 — verbal warning issued (11:01 p.m.).

Wednesday, July 20 — Animal complaint reported at 13977 Hwy 87 — w/ animal impound (1:16 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 103 Adkinson Ave (1:20 p.m.); Burglary reported at 102 S Claxton Ave (1:25 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 661 E Davis St (5:47 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 119 Old Samson Rd (7:27 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Factory Ave (9:43 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 1322 Highland Dr — an arrest was made (10:15 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in one verbal warning, and two citations.

Thursday, July 21 — Suspicious circumstances reported at 1152 Neil Grantham Dr (12:35 a.m.); Burglary reported at 617 Putnam St (8:36 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 13977 Hwy 87 — w/ animal impound (1:09 p.m.); Burglary reported at 311 Dr. Roberts Drive (3:43 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 661 E Davis St (6:42 p.m.); Stolen vehicle reported at 431 E Davis St (7:59 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in two citations, and three verbal warnings.

Friday, July 22 — Domestic complaint reported at 1192 Pine Circle — an arrest was made (5:29 a.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 811 Buford St (8:09 a.m.); Trespassing reported on Taylor Mill Rd (5:48 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 2345 Hickman Ave (8:27 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a verbal warning.

Saturday, July 23 — Traffic accident reported at 14862 Hwy 84 (2:10 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 246 Factory Ave (1:15 p.m.); Suspicious person reported in area of Court Ave and Davis St (8:37 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in one citation.

Sunday, July 24 — Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 (1:08 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 1019 Garrett St (1:23 a.m.); Civil complaint reported at 20 County Rd 401 — an arrest was made (11:59 a.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in one citation.

Monday, July 25 — Suspicious person reported at 220 County Rd 401, Lot 1 (9:49 a.m.); Burglary reported at 956 Claxton Ave N (4:45 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 956 Claxton Ave N (6:30 p.m.); Sex offense reported at 1468 County Rd 452, Kinston (6:34 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 5 County Rd 401 (8:45 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in one verbal warning, and one citation.

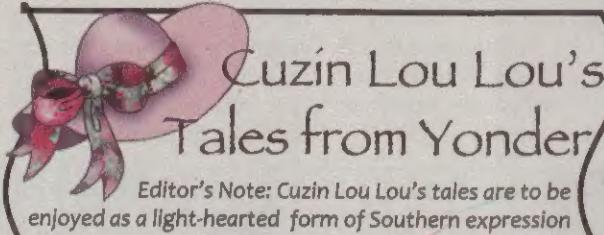
Elba Public Library to host free seminar on Monday, Aug. 8th

The Draughon Center for the Arts and Humanities at Auburn University has teamed with the Elba Public Library to bring a free seminar to the local library on Monday, Aug. 8, at 5:30 p.m.

The seminar will be "Ezra Wants to Know — The True Story of the Rosenwald Schools" with Frye Gaillard and Marti S. Rosner.

In the early years of the 20th Century, Julius Rosenwald, president of Sears Roebuck & Co., worked with educator Booker T. Washington and grassroots leaders across the South to build more than 5,000 schools for African American children. After multiple interviews and extensive research, Marti Rosner and Frye Gaillard tell the story through the eager questions of Ezra, a curious little boy inspired by Rosner's own mixed race grandchildren. The result is an accessible, easy to read account — a history of hope in a difficult time that should not be forgotten.

There is no charge to attend the seminar at the Elba Public Library on Monday, Aug. 8, at 5:30 p.m. The library is located in downtown Elba at 406 Simmons Street.



Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Cuzin Lou Lou had a minor 'come apart' on the Yonder gang one day last week, and it remains to be seen if they took her seriously or not.

It was lunchtime, and Lou Lou was having a rather busy day. She arrived home and no preparations had been made for what the gang would be eating that day for lunch. Generally, Lou Lou jumps into action and comes up with a plan rather quickly; however, on this day, nothing was really

moment. He waited. Lou Lou scurries around putting a meal together for a few more minutes...then she added, "And, don't think you are being picked on. When Sister gets here she is getting the same spill!"

Again...Papa stayed quiet.

Several minutes later when Lou Lou was seated and eating her lunch, Papa finally spoke.

He very quietly asked, "What can I do to help with supper?"

"I've got it handled already," was Lou Lou's response.

"Well...what can I do to help you then?" a sincere Papa continued.

Lou Lou conceded to Papa's plea and agreed to allow him to put some peas on to cook to accompany the chicken and fried okra she was planning to cook.

As promised...when Sister arrived home for lunch, Lou Lou gave her the same spill she gave Papa, although, her temper had settled a bit by this time.

Sister, however, is normal Sister-fashion, twisted the knife a little trying to call Lou Lou's bluff.

"I don't have a problem fixing my own food," was Sister's take on Lou Lou's call to action!

Lou Lou saw red! She should have known that is what Sister would do!

A couple of hours later, allowing Lou Lou more time to stew over the matter...Sister did finally send Lou Lou a text message suggesting each member of the gang take at least one night for cooking supper. The plan was to go into action this week.

So far...Lou Lou met her night's requirement. Sister...well, she chose to purchase takeout for the gang rather than actually cook! Oh well, at least Lou Lou didn't have to pay for it.

By next week, Lou Lou will most likely be the residence cook again. She always seems to lose that battle, one way or another.

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!



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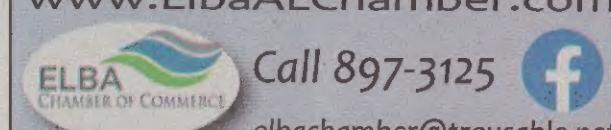
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CITY

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The city clerk also announced during Monday evening's meeting that Scotty Sullivan had sent the city a letter indicated "due to the high prices of fuel and the cost of labor, along with the lack of qualified labor, it is no longer profitable for him to run the city's recycling station." She said Sullivan's letter noted his last day of operation would be Sept. 25th.

"We hope to have some options for recycling to discuss at the Aug. 8th workshop," Bane said.

The city clerk also introduced council members to the new assistant city clerk.

Bane said Falisa Cole, originally from Elba, had accepted the position. She said Cole received her undergraduate degree in accounting after graduating from Elba High School.

"Falisa has years of accounting experience in the private sector," Bane said. "She has worked in California, and most recently, in Georgia. She is picking up on

our system very quickly, and we are grateful to have her as part of our team."

The council approved several board appointments Monday evening, to include:

- Greg Corder – reappointed to the airport authority board through Aug. 2027
- Laurie Chapman – reappointed to the airport authority board through Aug. 2028
- Jason Holley – reappointed to the zoning board of adjustments through Aug. 2025

- Kenneth Strong – reappointed to the healthcare authority board through Nov. 2025; and

- Julie Holley was appointed to serve on the Elba Water and Electric Board, replacing Jake Cowen who recently resigned because he was moving out of the city limits.

Also, during the meeting, Mayor Tom Maddox said the Elba Healthcare medical office was slated to open Tuesday, Aug. 2, at 8 a.m.

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Christina Morgan also," Moseley said. "We can't say thanks enough to her for all she does for this program, making sure everything is organized and getting these students to nationals to represent Elba City Schools."

With the start of a new school year almost here, the board had a few personnel matters to discuss during the meeting.

Moseley said the state had funded a career coach position for each school system, and Elba had been advertising for that job. He said interviews were scheduled with hopes of getting someone hired before the start of school.

Regarding the resignation of Wyrosdick as elementary school library/media specialist, the superintendent said she had accepted a job with Straughn Schools where her children are students.

Additional personnel matters approved by the board during the July 19th meeting included accepted the resignation of Tessie Watson as a CNP worker and voted to hire Kadra Vignola for the CNP department.

Moseley said Watson lives in the Brantley area, and she had accepted a CNP job with Brantley Schools. He added that Vignola would fill the vacancy left

by Watson.

Moseley said Vignola had worked as a substitute CNP person for Elba quite a bit in the past, and he felt like she would be a good addition to the team. She is a resident of Elba.

Also, during the meeting, the board approved an amendment to the enrollment policy. This was simply to add the terminology "foster care" to the policy.

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Another change this year...Moseley said the reserved parking is tied to the reserved seating tickets.

"Since we are starting over with parking spots due to the re-design, we are selling those on a first come, first serve basis," he said.

"We have tied this into our reserved ticket sales. You must have reserved tickets to be able to purchase a reserved parking spot."

There are five home games this football season, and reserved tickets are being sold at \$60 per ticket. Those purchasing a reserved ticket can then purchase a parking spot (if available) for an additional \$40.

Reserved ticket holders must renew their tickets prior to Aug. 12th to maintain their priority option on their current seats.

For more information or to purchase reserved tickets/parking, stop by the Elba City Schools Central Office at 131 Tiger Drive (or call 334-897-2801).

GURVES 'ROY' SIMMONS Gerves 'Roy' Simmons, age 84, of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, July 23, 2022, at Piedmont Hospital in Augusta, Ga.

Funeral services were held Tuesday,

July 26, 2022, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev.

Lane Simmons and Rev.

Jimmy Eddins officiating. Burial services followed

in the Zoar Community Cemetery.

Survivors include her husband: Donald S Everson, wife: Lois Simmons, Elba; daughters: Cynthia Simmons (Pojo) Simmons, Glenwood, Ala., Kathy Simmons (James) Isbell, Evans, Ga., and Lesa Simmons (Johnny) Johnson, Enterprise, Ala.; son: Donald (Bonnie) Simmons, Troy, Ala.; sister: Mamie Spann Clark, Basin, Ala.; 12 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

DANIEL KENDALL BUIE JR. Mr. Daniel Kendall Buie Jr., age 75, died Monday, July 18, 2022. He was a resident of Ft. Caroline Gardens assisted living in Jacksonville, Fla.

He was preceded in death by his father, Daniel Kendall Buie Sr.; mother, Sally Mae Buie; grandparents, Henry T. Smith and Ethel Smith; sister, Patsy Minor; and nephews, Kenny and Davy Minor, all of Jacksonville.

Survivors include his son: Daniel Kendall Buie III, Elba; granddaughter: Crystal Kacpowski, Pennsylvania; one great-grandson, three great-granddaughters; along with a niece: Vicki Williams, and nephew: Tommy Minor, both of Jacksonville.

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LINDA B. DONALDSON Mrs. Linda B. Donaldson, age 69, of Enterprise, Ala., died Thursday, July 21, 2022, at her home in Enterprise.

Graveside services were held Saturday, July 23, 2022, at Richburg Cemetery with Rev. Lloyd Snellgrove officiating and Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing.

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A proposed plat for a minor subdivision, with 18 lots was approved. County engineer Marty Lentz said the proposed plat documents were in compliance with the county's regulations. This subdivision will be construction on County Rd. 711, just south of Enterprise under the name - Acres at Smith Farms.

WENDY HARDY EVERSON Mrs. Wendy Hardy Everson, age 52, of Elba, Ala., died Monday, July 25, 2022, at Mizell Memorial Hospital in Opp, Ala.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, July 28, 2022, at 11 a.m., from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Derek Snellgrove officiating. Burial services will follow in the Shady Grove Church Cemetery. Visitation will be at Hayes Funeral Home on Thursday, from 9-11 a.m.

Wendy was preceded in death by her father - Donny

and mother, Elizabeth Hudson Bryan; along with brothers, Rex and Drexel Bryan, and a sister, Raynell Smith.

Dean Blair, chairman of the E911 board, noted that his office had been advertising for the E911 coordinator's position. He said this is due to current E911 coordinator Marvin McIlwain announcing his retirement at the end of the year.

Coffee County EMA director James Brown also noted the county is seeing a steady rise with COVID virus cases, but he said this does not seem to be peaking like it has in the past.

"We are keeping an eye on it but are not overly concerned at this point," Brown said.

The next Coffee County Commission meeting is set for Monday, Aug. 8, at 9 a.m.

ObituariesDeath notices updated regularly on our website at <www.elba-clipper.com>**ANN ALYCE BECK**

Ms. Ann Alyce Beck, age 83, of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, July 23, 2022, at her home in Elba.

Funeral services were held Monday,

July 25, 2022, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev.

Ken Wilson officiating. Burial services followed

in the Zoar Community Cemetery.

Survivors include her

husband: Donald S Everson,

wife: Lois Simmons, Elba;

daughters: Cynthia

Simmons (Pojo) Simmons,

Glenwood, Ala., Kathy

Simmons (James) Isbell,

Evans, Ga., and Lesa

Simmons (Johnny) Johnson,

Enterprise, Ala.; son:

Donald (Bonnie) Simmons,

Troy, Ala.; sister: Mamie

Spann Clark, Basin, Ala.

12 grandchildren, 18 great-

grandchildren, three great-

great-grandchildren, and

numerous nieces and nephews.

Leon Hardy.

Survivors include her

husband: Stephen Lewis,

all of Elba; step-sister: Amanda

Whitaker, Troy, Ala.; step-

brother: Thomas Lewis,

Luvner, Ala.; along with

an aunt: Linda Faye Diehl,

and cousin: Shawn Diehl,

both of Elba.

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Derek Snellgrove officiating.

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CHURCH NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

by Paul Jackson, Pastor
Covenant Community Church, Elba

Five common mistakes people make

We all make mistakes, right? I've certainly made my share.

But remember this: mistakes are not what count most. The important thing is to learn from one's mistakes.

Here are five mistakes we often make:

1. Being content with surface relationships. Perhaps due to fear of getting close. Or being known. God says in the Bible to not "just pretend to love others, but to really love them" (Romans 12:9). Do you really love others or are you settling for something far less in your relationships? If so, everything loses.

2. Thinking one failure means YOU are a failure. God tells us to be honest and see ourselves realistically. The truth is that we all are good at certain things and not so good at others. (See Romans 12:3-6). So, discover your gifts and what you are passionate about and pursue those things. You never will be perfect, so stop trying and pretending.

3. Believing good looks and popularity will make you happy. They don't. Looks fade and popularity is fickle. Just be happy being...you! Real life is in Jesus, anyway. (See John 14:6). He loves you just the way you are!

4. Thinking you've got all the time in the world. You don't. God tells us, "For the length of our lives is as uncertain as the morning fog—now you see it; soon, it is gone" (James 4:14). Is there any "business" you need to take care of today? With a family member? With God? Better get it done!

5. Not praying. This is one mistake I often made in the early years of my ministry. Too busy was my excuse. Life has a way of humbling you and helping you see just how much you need God. So, take the time to pray. We all need God's help. In fact, God tells us to "not grow weary in prayer" but to keep at it for the long haul. (See Colossians 4:2).

Well, I know there are many more common mistakes that I could have mentioned—but I'm out of space for now.

So, let me add just one final thought: you don't have to stay stuck in the quagmire of regrets over the mistakes you've made. And your mistakes don't have to have the final word. You can forgive yourself and find peace for the way forward.

My friend, move on into a good future with God's love and forgiveness in your heart. And by all means, ask God to help you forgive yourself. I know that can be a challenge at times, but with his help, mistakes of the past are just that—in the past.

Enjoy today and make it great!

Basin Baptist Church announces Homecoming for Sunday, Aug. 14

Basin Baptist Church, with special music followed by the worship service at 10:30 a.m. A covered dish lunch will be held in the fellowship after the morning services on Sunday, Aug. 14, beginning at 9:30 a.m. worship hour.

Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church, located at 720 E Davis St., Elba, Ala., will host a Bookbag Give-Away for back-to-school on Saturday, July 30, from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.

IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN
C O M M U N I T Y C H U R C H
Rocky Pearce, Pastor
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Even. Service...5:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Paul Jackson, Pastor
Sunday Fellowship...9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship...10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal....5:30 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer...6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH
Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School...9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH
CHURCH SAMSON, Alia,
Richard Thornt Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship...10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Harry Driggers, Pastor
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Even. Service...5:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School...9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship...10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet...6:30 p.m.

BETHLEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Deborah A. Battle, Pastor
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Disciple Train...5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship...5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study...6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
Dwight Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School...9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship...10:30 a.m.
Even. Service...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service...7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Even. Service...5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service...7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH TABERNACLE
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Even. Service...5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service...7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Dwight Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School...9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship...10:30 a.m.
Even. Service...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service...6:30 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Kit Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School...9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship...10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School...9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC
Jeremie Turner, Sr. Pastor
Sunday School...9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship...10:30 a.m.
Even. Service...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study...6:00 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Shirlic Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School...9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Even. Service...5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH
Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School...9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Even. Service...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST
Glenayre Jenkins, Pastor
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Even. Service...5:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service...6:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH
Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship...10:00 a.m.
Even. Service...5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study...6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

NEW GLORIOUS AME BAPTIST CHURCH

NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD

NEW JESUS CHRIST BAPTIST CHURCH

NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH

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WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH

Back to School Bash set for July 29th at Elba First Baptist Church

Elba First Baptist Church, First United Methodist Church, and Westside Baptist are jointly planning a "Back to School" Bash for Friday, July 29, at 5:30 p.m. The event will be at First Baptist Church, 606 Simmons St. Elba.

The event is free, and

there will be family fun for everyone, including pizza, a water slide, games, and more.

Also, school supplies will be given away to children in grades kindergarten – sixth.

Everyone is invited to attend!

Sunday, July 31st, will be a special day for Covenant Community Church in Elba

July 31st is a very special day in the life of Covenant Community Church, and members and friends are asked to make plans to be in worship on this Sunday, especially.

It marks the start of year two of Paul Jackson being Pastor of CCC.

Reverend Jackson has a special message he wants

everyone to hear in celebrating the past and anticipate the future and dream together.

July 31st is also Potluck Sunday. As usual, CCC

will provide the chicken, rolls, and drinks. Everyone, please bring a dish or two to share.

Come and be a part of our special Sunday together.

New Philadelphia COGIC planning COED softball tourney for Aug. 6th

New Philadelphia COGIC announces plans for a COED softball tournament on Saturday, Aug. 6 at the Hawkins-Williams Sports Complex in Elba.

The tournament will begin at 10 a.m. There

will be concessions available and free giveaways,

free school supplies, free kid's meals to restaurants, and free kid's haircuts throughout the day.

Team Registration fee is \$200 and is due by Monday, July 25th. Winners will win a grand prize of cash and a trophy.

For more information call (334) 470-7456.

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Round and About

With Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: An Invocation and a Doxology [Psalm 67:17]

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Shelia Magwood, Asja Jolie Rudolph, Alice Musgrove, Harold Williams, Helen Thigpen, Timothy Williams, Wendy Wood, Tonya Y. Smith, Anthony C. Kelley

July Birthdays / Anniversaries

Aila Noel Kelley 7/18

Frank Morris 7/18

Terry C. Culver 7/19

Beverly D. Hamilton 7/19

Flora Marson 7/19

Rell Smith 7/20

Nathan D. Smith 7/20

Ben Rayborn 7/21

Tim Andrews 7/22

Min. Randy Miller 7/22

Henry and Margaret Rowe 7/23 W.A.

Mike Rowe 7/24

Imposing Burdens on Others

Wells Fargo, one of

America's largest banks, was hit with a \$185 million fine for setting up bogus accounts for customers who had no idea what was happening. The bank employees who set up these accounts claimed they were forced to do so to meet quotas placed on them by upper management under threat of being fired.

Apparently several of these employees had reported the pressure to an internal hotline, only to find themselves fired soon afterward for reasons supposedly unrelated to the whistle blowing.

Wells Fargo claimed that it had fired more than 5,300 low-level and middle management employees for their illegal and unethical practices, but federal regulators began to wonder if these workers were being blamed for implementing high pressure tactics that had come from the highest

Saying that Makes Sense

Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal

Questions for the Week of 8/4/22

Fill in the Blanks

Q: God affirmed to Noah that seed time and _____ would never cease.

Q: Abraham was given his name because he would be _____ of many nations.

Q: The covenant sign

Abraham and his male

descendants were to bear

was _____.

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

THE WAY OF HOLINESS

CHURCH, Elba

Max Reed, Minister

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship...11:30 a.m.

Tuesday Bible Class:7:00 p.m.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

C.P. Davis, Pastor

Sunday School...9:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship...10:00 a.m.

Even. Service...5:00 p.m.

Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH

COMMUNITY NEWS

Kindergarten JUMPSTART set for Aug. 2, for Coffee County Schools

Kindergarten Jumpstart is a one-day program that allows incoming kindergarten students an orientation opportunity before the beginning of school. The day is three hours in length. During this time the students are exposed to a mini kindergarten schedule, allowed to tour the building, and are introduced to their teacher as well as several other staff members.

All students and parents are to report to the school library with their begin-

ning school supplies. The students will then go with their teacher to the classroom.

The parents will remain in the library for an orientation meeting with the principal. When this meeting is complete, the parents will go to their child's room for a meeting with the teacher. During the parent/teacher meeting the teacher will explain her discipline plan, class schedule, rules, drop off/pick up procedure for students and answer questions.

Parents will need to provide transportation for their child at the end of Jumpstart.

Call the child's school for any questions.

Title I Meetings set for Aug. 2nd for Coffee County School System

Kinston, New Brockton, and Zion Chapel Schools invite all parents to attend the annual school-wide Title I Meeting set for Tuesday, Aug. 2, at each school.

Parents will gather in a general assembly to participate in a Title I presentation. The Title I program for parents is designed to:

- 1) inform parents about the purpose of Title I and how a school achieves Title I status,
- 2) involve parents in local Title I decisions, and
- 3) encourage active participation in their child's school and education.

School officials encourage all parents to join them for this informative meeting.

Coffee County School System trying to identify all persons with disabilities

The Coffee County School System is in the process of identifying all persons with disabilities, ages 3-21 years, who are not enrolled in an educational setting, and all 0-3-year-old children with disabilities.

Parents of a child with disabilities or those knowing someone who is disabled are asked to contact the principal of the local school or the special education coordinator's office at the Coffee County Board of Education at (334) 897-5016.

It is important that all persons with disabilities be identified so appropriate services can be provided.

DAV Wiregrass Chapter 99 to meet July 28 in New Brockton

The July meeting for the DAV Wiregrass Chapter 99, located in New Brockton, Ala., will be Thursday, July 28, 6 p.m., at the New Brockton Senior Center.

Elections for chapter offi-

cers for the upcoming year will be held. All members are asked to attend.

For more information contact Charles Lobbell at 334-718-5707 or Mike Doran at 334-406-6700.

Seniors encouraged to join the fun at the Elba Senior Citizens Center

Donna Falls, director of the Elba Senior Citizens Center, encourages all seniors age 60 and older to attend the Elba Senior Citizens Center.

Along with nutritious meals 5-days-per-week, Falls works with seniors to help them apply for several programs that they may qualify, including: Farmers Market Vouchers, HRDC Energy Assistance, Food Assistance, Medicaid Waiver, Senior Rx Program, Medicare Savings Program, etc. However, the senior must be an active participant at the Elba Senior Center for the director to sign them up for these type programs.



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NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION AT ELBA CITY SCHOOLS...New teacher/staff orientation was held Tuesday, July 26, for Elba City Schools. Eight new employees participated in preparations for the start of the 2022-2023 school year. Those pictured above are (from left): Crystal Nelson, Felicia Britt, Angie Sieving, Allie Tucker, Elba Schools Superintendent Chris Moseley, Tawana Tucker, Kelinda Griffin, Kadra Vignola, and Anna Harrelson



PUBLIC RELEASE

Coffee County Schools today announced its policy for free and reduced-price meals for children served in schools under the National School Lunch Program and/or School Breakfast Program. Local school officials have adopted the following household size and income criteria for determining eligibility:

Children need healthy meals to learn. Coffee County Schools offer healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs \$1.00, lunch costs \$2.25. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price is \$0.30 for breakfast and \$0.40 for lunch. Below are some common questions and answers to help you with the application process.

1. WHO CAN GET FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS?

- All children in households receiving benefits from Alabama SNAP, the Food Distribution Program, or Indian Reservations (FDPIR) or Alabama TANF are eligible for free meals.
- All children in households receiving benefits from Medicaid are eligible for free or reduced meals.
- Foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals.
- Children participating in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals.
- Children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant are eligible for free meals.
- Children who are directly certified are eligible to receive free meals.
- When known to **Coffee County Schools**, households will be notified of their children's eligibility for free meals based on their participation (or a household member's participation) in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR); or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), if the State program meets Federal standards.
- When known to **Coffee County Schools**, households will be notified of any child's eligibility for free meals based on the individual child's designation as Other Source Categorically Eligible, as defined by law. Children are determined Other Source Categorically Eligible if they are: Homeless, Migrant, Runaway, A foster child, or Enrolled in Head Start or an eligible pre-kindergarten program (see: SP 40-2013: Q&As Regarding the Participation of Head Start Programs in Child Nutrition Programs, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/qas-regarding-participation-head-start-programs-child-nutrition-programs-0>).

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES 2022-2023

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ELIGIBILITY SCALE FOR FREE MEALS/MILK			HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ELIGIBILITY SCALE FOR REDUCED PRICE MEALS/MILK				
	PER YEAR	PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS		PER YEAR	PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS		
1	17,667	1,473	680	340	1	25,142	2,096	967	484
2	23,803	1,904	916	458	2	33,874	2,823	1,303	652
3	29,939	2,495	1,152	576	3	42,606	3,551	1,639	820
4	36,075	3,007	1,388	694	4	51,338	4,279	1,975	988
5	42,211	3,518	1,624	812	5	60,070	5,006	2,311	1,156
6	48,347	4,029	1,860	930	6	68,802	5,734	2,647	1,324
7	54,483	4,541	2,096	1,048	7	77,534	6,462	2,983	1,492
8	60,619	5,052	2,332	1,166	8	86,266	7,189	3,318	1,659

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2. HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILDREN QUALIFY AS HOMELESS, MIGRANT, OR RUNAWAY?

Do the members of your household lack a permanent address? Are you staying together in a shelter, hotel, or other temporary housing arrangement? Does your family relocate on a seasonal basis? Are any children living with you who have chosen to leave their prior family or household? If you believe children in your household meet these descriptions and haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail your child(ren)'s school.

3. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD?

No. Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to your child(ren)'s school.

4. SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE ALREADY APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS?

No, but please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. If any children in your household were missing from your eligibility notification, contact your child(ren)'s school immediately.

5. CAN I APPLY ONLINE?

Yes! You are encouraged to complete an online application instead of a paper application if you are able. The online application has the same requirements and will ask you for the same information as the paper application. Visit our web site to begin or to learn more about the online application process. Contact Betsy Wood at (334) 897-5016 if you have any questions about the online application.

No, an online application is not available at this time.

6. MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT A NEW ONE?

Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first few days of this school year, through **September 20, 2022**. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year. If you do not send in a new application that is approved by the school or you have not been notified that your child is eligible for free meals, your child will be charged the full price for meals.

7. CAN WIC CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS?

Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please send in an application.

8. WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED?

Yes. In accordance with program regulations school officials will be verifying the income of some households at some time during the school year. Selected households will be requested to provide income documentation in order to continue receiving free and reduced-price meals.

9. IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER?

Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.

10. WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION?

You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: **Kelly Cobb, 400 Reddoch Hill Road, Elba, Alabama 36323, (334) 897-5016, cobbk@coffeecounty.k12.al.us**.

11. MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN?

Yes. You, your children, or other household members do not have to be U.S. citizens to apply for free or reduced price meals.

12. WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME?

List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.

13. WHAT IF SOME HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS HAVE NO INCOME TO REPORT?

Household members may not receive some types of income we ask you to report on the application or may not receive income at all. Whenever this happens, please write a 0 in the field. However, if any income fields are left empty or blank, those will also be counted as zeroes. Please be careful when leaving income fields blank, as we will assume you meant to do so.

14. DO I HAVE TO PROVIDE MY SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER?

Only the last 4 digits of the social security number of the household's primary wage earner or another adult household member (or an indication of "none") is required.

15. MAY I DECLINE BENEFITS?

Yes. Households notified of their children's eligibility must contact **Coffee County Schools** or school if they choose to decline the free meal benefits.

16. WHAT IF ALL CHILDREN ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS ARE NOT ON THE NOTICE OF ELIGIBILITY LETTER?

If children receive benefits under Assistance Programs or Other Source Categorically Eligible Programs and are not listed on the notice of eligibility and are not notified by the school of their free meal benefits, the parent or guardian should contact the school or should submit an income application.

17. WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE REPORT OUR INCOME DIFFERENTLY?

Your basic pay and cash bonuses must be reported as income. If you get any cash value allowances for off-base housing, food, or clothing, it must also be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income. Any additional combat pay resulting from deployment is also excluded from income.

18. WHAT IF THERE ISN'T ENOUGH SPACE ON THE APPLICATION FOR MY FAMILY?

List any additional household members on a separate piece of paper and attach it to your application. Contact your child(ren)'s school to receive a second application.

19. MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR?

To find out how to apply for Alabama SNAP or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call Alabama hotline number - 800-382-0499.

If you have other questions or need help, call (334) 897-5016.

Sincerely, Betsy Wood

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7/28, 8-4,11&18-chg
IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ISAAC CLIFFORD MATTHEWS, DECEASED
7/14,21,28&8/4 - chg

CASE NO.: PC 2022-050

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY EXECUTRIX

Letters Testamentary under the Will of said deceased having been granted to Peggy J. Matthews, on the 19th day of July, 2022 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson,
Probate Judge
7/28, 8/4&11-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF DAVID SMITH, DECEASED

Jodee R. Thompson,
Probate Judge
7/28, 8/4&11-pd.

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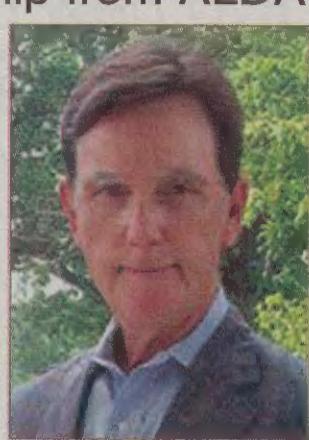
LIFESTYLES

Dr. Timothy Jackson receives Life Membership from ALDA

Timothy M. Jackson, DMD, of Elba, Ala., was honored Sunday, June 12, with a Life Membership in the Alabama Dental Association.

Dr. Jackson was recognized for this award during the Alabama Dental Association's 153rd Annual Session Member Recognition Breakfast at Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach, Ala. The session was held June 8-12 in conjunction with the Gulf Coast Dental Conference.

A member of the Alabama Dental Association is eligible for Life Membership after 30 consecutive years or a total of 40 years



Timothy Jackson, DMD

membership.

Dr. Jackson is a 1985 graduate of the University of Alabama School of Dentistry. His dental practice is located in Elba.



Jacks Bane, age 9, of Elba attended the National Youth Leadership Forum (NYLF): Pathways to STEM last week in Memphis, Tennessee. He is pictured above with his Certificate of Achievement from the forum, and the robot he built while there. Jacks is a student at Elba Elementary School, and the son of Bradley and Sally Bane.

Jacks Bane participates in youth leadership forum in Tennessee

Elba's Jacks Bane last week joined outstanding elementary school students from across the country to take part in a unique academic and career-oriented development experience, the National Youth Leadership Forum (NYLF): Pathways to STEM. This event took place in Memphis, Tenn.

NYLF Pathways to STEM is one of the Envision by WorldStrides family of programs (www.envisionexperience.com) that enable students to explore their interests and experience learning beyond the classroom.

Jacks was honored to be nominated by his Elba Elementary School teacher, Kelly Wilson. He has been interested in STEMS since it was offered as the after-school program.

Jacks enjoys robotics and building things. When he was nominated, he knew he wanted to attend. He was excited to spend the week in Memphis meeting new friends.



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Lee Greenwood to perform July 28 at July Jamz

Andalusia hosting traveling Vietnam memorial wall

Lee Greenwood will perform a free outdoor concert in Andalusia on July 28, in conjunction with the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall's stop there.

The Andalusia Area Chamber of Commerce, City of Andalusia, CCB Community Bank and Covington Veterans Association are working together on the concert, which is the final installment of the 2022 July JAMZ summer concert series, and will be held on the lawn of Springdale in downtown Andalusia. CCB Community Bank is sponsoring the event as part of its 75th anniversary celebration.

"We are thrilled to have this iconic performer visiting Andalusia," Mayor Earl Johnson said. "I don't know of a community that is more patriotic than Andalusia. To have the opportunity to have Lee Greenwood perform 'God Bless the USA' in the shadow of our beautiful Covington Veterans monument and the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall will be a wonderful expression of that patriotism."

The City of Andalusia and Covington Veterans Foundation (CVF) are jointly hosting the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall, which will be escorted into town at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 27. Escorts will include the Friends of Army Aviation in a helicopter from the Vietnam era, as well as state and local law enforcement and members of the

(Ret.) Jimmie W. Spencer women. The names are arranged chronologically by date of casualty, beginning at panel 1E (the center). The names continue to the eastern end of The Wall, pick back up at the western end, and end in the center. The design signifies a healing wound.

Those names include 1,208 Alabamians. Four listed Elba as their hometown of record:

- Alfonzie Culver, who died Oct. 11, 1967. He was 20. (Panel 27E, Line 88)
- Delacy Gray, who died Feb. 23, 1967. He was 21. (Panel 15E, Line 79)
- Charlie Frank Lee, who died March 2, 1968. He was 27. (Panel 42E, Line 55)
- Joseph M. Moore, who died Dec. 28, 1966. He was 34. (Panel 13E, Line 92)

The Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall is a three-fifths-sized replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, known simply as The Wall, located in Constitution Park in Washington, D.C. It was constructed for the Vietnam and All Veterans of Brevard, Inc., a veteran-based organization situated in Brevard County, Florida.

Music begins at 6 p.m. with the Three Notch Ramblers - Scott Rogers, Phillip McClung, Jeff Sellers, Jacob Sellers, and Richard Moore - who will open for Greenwood with music from the Vietnam era. Fireworks will follow Greenwood's performance.

The Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall will be displayed through Sunday, July 31, and volunteers will be on hand 24/7 after opening ceremonies to assist visitors in finding the names of loved ones.

In addition, on Friday and Saturday, the Friends of Army Aviation will offer rides in a Vietnam-era UH-1H "Huey" helicopter from Packer Field, located on Snowden Drive behind McDonald's and the Best Western.

On Sunday afternoon, the Covington Veterans Foundation will host a 2:30 p.m. program with Command Sergeant Major



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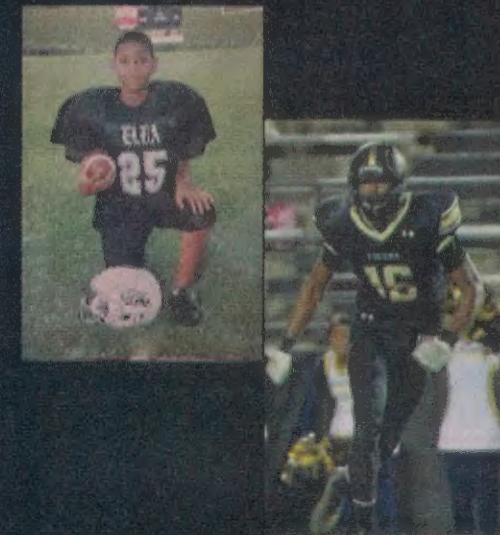


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Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our grandson spent the night with us one night last week and when asked what he wanted for supper immediately stated 'steak and macaroni and cheese.' Mac and cheese has always been a favorite, but I am not sure when he developed a taste for steak, since whenever we go out to eat he always gets chicken fingers. Whatever happened to peanut butter and jelly sandwiches?

For what it is worth....

*** This week's 'Countdown to Kickoff' features the Kinston Bulldogs. Kinston practically rewrote its record book last season in rolling to eight wins and this season will see only two new teams on its schedule (Elba and Houston County). So, the Bulldogs from down in the corner of the county may very well add a new chapter to the book in an attempt to show last year's success was not a fluke. The guess here is that Kinston will take its next step in remaining a winning program in football.

*** We had an article last week about the Wiregrass Wolverines and later in the week I read an article about the adult football team in a neighboring paper, and one thing for sure is that the folks trying to put this thing together are serious. The team will have a player combine next weekend as it tries to fill out its roster, and from there it will fill out its coaching staff as what was once just an idea turns into a reality. I know there are still a lot of hurdles to clear and papers to be signed; however, there is something different about this group and it will be interesting to watch it come together in the weeks and months ahead.

*** The Alabama High School Athletic Association held its annual sports week and coaches clinics last week in Montgomery and thousands of coaches from all sports made the trip to hear from college coaches and learn about new rules. The biggest change in the rules was to allow players in baseball and softball to wear jewelry. In years past only college athletes were allowed to wear jewelry, but the change has now filtered its way down to the high school level and this season look for earrings and necklaces to be common place in the sports. I guess in years to come the same rules will find their way to all sports, and the games may resemble a fashion show as players try to wear more and shinier jewelry than their opponents.

*** In closing... I was a clinician at last week's AHSAA officials conference and during a break was amazed at the talk about how much some high school coaches in the state are now making. One coach near the Gulf Coast is reportedly making over \$200,000 a year, while another in the same county is pulling in over \$175,000. This amount is just to coach, since neither teaches a single academic class. I know many schools face 'real' financial hardships, but when you hear what some other schools are paying big-name football coaches you have to wonder whether their priorities are in the classroom or on the football field. I guess the rich just richer, even in high school sports.

Bob Bush, DVM

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To 2022 football schedule

Kinston Bulldogs add two new opponents

The Kinston Bulldogs will be looking to add another chapter to their football history book this season after breaking numerous program records a year ago in a banner season that brought the Bulldogs statewide honors.

Kinston posted an 8-4 record last season - the most wins in program history, won five region games for the first time in program history, hosted a post-season game for the first time in school history, posted a playoff win for only the second time in program history and saw head coach Rudy Free earn 'Coach of the Year' honors.

This season Kinston will kick off the season with three straight home games, including a pair of region games against teams dropping down from Class 2A, will oppose two 2A teams in non-region action, and will close the season with three road games in four weeks.

Following is a review of this season's regular season schedule:

August 19 – Samson

The Kinston Bulldogs will kick off the season at home with a non-region clash against longtime rival Samson. Samson holds a 33-7 series edge over Kinston, but the Bulldogs snapped a six-game losing streak to the Tigers last season with an exciting 21-20 win, and in the last four games the outcome has been decided by a total of only 12 points.

Samson is coming off a 7-4 season, its second straight winning season, and its fourth winning season since 2015.

August 26 – Elba Tigers

The Kinston Bulldogs will open region play at home in a week two match-up against the Elba Tigers. Elba owns a 5-0 series edge in the cross-county rivalry, won 40-14 last season, and in the five wins has outscored the Bulldogs 201-26.

Elba has posted 15 straight winning seasons, will be coming off a 10-2 season in the 2A ranks, and in its last two-year stay in Class 1A posted a 12-2 region record.

September 2 – Open Date

September 9 – Georgiana *

The Kinston Bulldogs will return to action after a week off when they host the Georgiana Panthers in a key region clash. Georgiana holds a slim 7-5 series edge over the Bulldogs, but Kinston snapped a seven-game losing streak to the Panthers a year ago with a 10-6 win and will be taking the field against Georgiana for the 13th straight season.

Georgiana is coming off a disappointing 0-10 season, its first winless season since way back in 1944, and in the season was outscored 356-88. The Panthers have struggled with three straight losing seasons after winning a total of 46 games the previous four years.

September 16 – At, Brantley Bulldogs

The Kinston Bulldogs will hit the road for the first time in the season a week four battle against the defending region champion Brantley Bulldogs. Brantley holds a 32-4 series edge in the annual region battle and won 34-0 a year ago, while Kinston's last win in the series was a 32-18 victory back in 1991.

Brantley has posted 20 straight winning seasons, has rolled up an impressive 36-4 record the last three years, with three of the four losses coming in the post-season. The 'Dogs have been in the playoffs 24 straight years and over the past three years have a 21-0 region record.

September 23 – At, Goshen Eagles

The Kinston Bulldogs will stay on the road for a week five non-region clash against the Goshen Eagles. The teams have split the only two meetings in the series, with Kinston winning 7-0 in the first meeting back in 2005.

Goshen has struggled to a 1-18 record over the past two seasons after posting a total of 32 wins the previous four seasons. Last year, the Eagles were outscored 414-35.

September 30 – Pleasant Home Eagles

The Kinston Bulldogs will wrap up the month of September with a region home contest against the Pleasant

KINSTON BULLDOGS

2022 Football Schedule

August 19	Samson	Home
August 26	Elba *	Home
September 2	Open Date	
September 9	Georgiana *	Home
September 16	Brantley *	Away
September 23	Goshen	Away
September 30	Pl. Home *	Home
October 7	Red Level *	Away
October 14	McKenzie *	Home
October 21	Florala *	Away
October 28	Houston Co. *	Away

(* Denotes region opponent)

Home Eagles. The two longtime region rivals have split their 22 meetings, with Kinston winning three of the last four, including a 33-18 victory last season.

Pleasant Home is coming off a 1-9 season, has struggled to a 5-34 record the last four seasons, and last posted a winning record in 2016.

October 7 – At, Red Level Tigers

The Kinston Bulldogs will hit the road in week seven when they travel for a region contest with the Red Level Tigers. Red Level leads the all-time series 13-10, but the Bulldogs have won the last three games, including a 27-6 win last season, and has posted eight wins over the past ten years.

Red Level is coming off a 4-6 record, has posted a 7-21 record the last three years, and enjoyed its last winning season in 2006.

October 14 – McKenzie Tigers

The Kinston Bulldogs will close out their regular season home schedule in a week eight region battle with the McKenzie Tigers. McKenzie holds a 16-10 series edge in the annual region match-up, but the Bulldogs have won the last two meetings, including a 26-15 win last season, and have won three of the last five match-ups.

McKenzie will be coming off a 6-4 season, its second straight winning season after struggling to post a 5-25 record the previous three years.

October 21 – At, Florala Wildcats

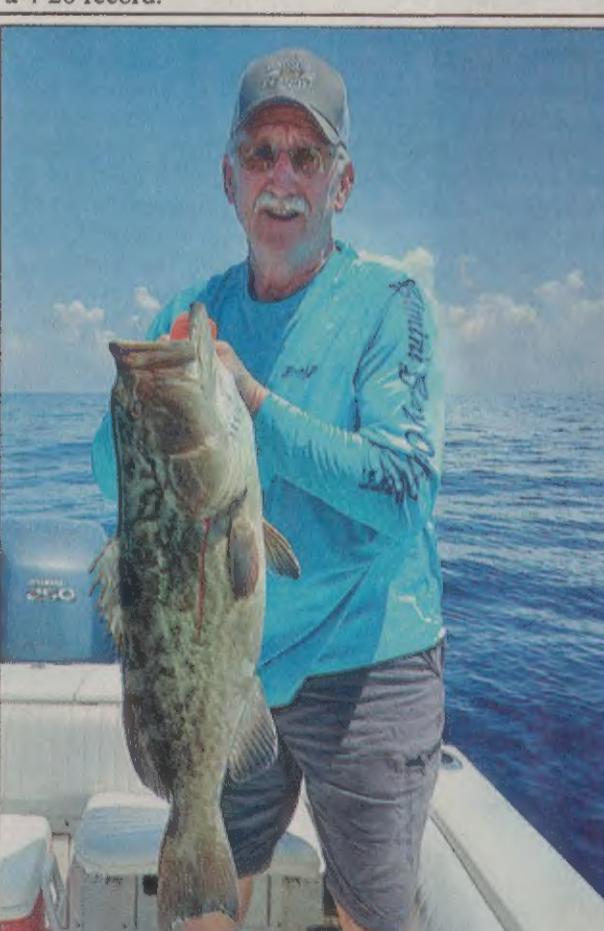
The Kinston Bulldogs will be on the road in week nine when they head to Florala for a key region clash against the Florala Wildcats. Florala holds a slim 19-15 series edge, but Kinston snapped a three-game losing streak to the Wildcats last season with a 35-20 win, and since 2009 the Bulldogs have won 10 of the last 13 meetings.

Florala will be coming off a 3-7 record after rolling to a 15-7 record the previous two years.

October 28 – At, Houston County Lions

The Kinston Bulldogs will wrap up the regular season the last week in October when they travel to Columbia for a region contest with the Houston County Lions. This will be the first-ever meeting between the new region rivals.

Houston County will be coming off a 5-5 record in the 2A ranks, has missed the playoffs four straight years, and over the last three seasons has struggled to a 4-26 record.



SPOTLIGHT ON FISHING... Elba residents Gary Allen (left) and JR Helms (right) enjoyed a fishing trip out of Panama City, Fla. on June 28th. The Gag Grouper caught by Helms is 29 inches in length and his first legal size Grouper. The Red Snapper caught by Allen is the largest one he has ever caught. The two men said they enjoyed a great day in the Gulf of Mexico.

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